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7 STRIKE 3 HOLDINGS, LLC,
8 Plaintiff,
9 v.
10 JOHN DOE SUBSCRIBER ASSIGNED IP
11 ADDRESS 107.219.196.95,
12 Defendant.

Case No. [21-cv-00297-HSG](#)

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**ORDER GRANTING EX PARTE
APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO
SERVE SUBPOENA BEFORE RULE
26(F) CONFERENCE**

Re: Dkt. No. 7

Plaintiff Strike 3 Holdings, LLC moves ex parte for leave to serve a third party subpoena prior to a Rule 26(f) hearing. The Court being duly advised does hereby **FIND, ORDER AND ADJUDGE:**

1. Plaintiff has established that “good cause” exists for it to serve a third-party subpoena on AT&T U-verse (hereinafter the “ISP”). *See UMG Recording, Inc. v. Doe*, 2008 WL 4104214, *4 (N.D. Cal. 2008); and *Arista Records LLC v. Does 1-19*, 551 F. Supp. 2d 1, 6–7 (D.D.C. 2008).

2. Plaintiff may serve the ISP with a Rule 45 subpoena commanding the ISP to provide Plaintiff with the true name and address of the Defendant to whom the ISP assigned an IP address as set forth on Exhibit A to the Complaint. Plaintiff shall attach to any such subpoena a copy of this Order.

3. Plaintiff may also serve a Rule 45 subpoena in the same manner as above on any service provider that is identified in response to a subpoena as a provider of Internet services to one of the Defendants (together with AT&T U-verse, the “ISPs”).

1 4. **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that subpoenas authorized by this order and issued
2 pursuant thereto shall be deemed appropriate court orders under 47 U.S.C. § 551. In particular, 47
3 U.S.C. § 551(c)(2)(B) provides:

4 (c) Disclosure of personally identifiable information

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6 (2) A cable operator may disclose such information if the disclosure
is—

[...]

9 (B) subject to subsection (h) [relating to disclosures to governmental
10 agencies] of this action, made pursuant to a court order authorizing
such disclosure, if the subscriber is notified of such order by the
person to whom the order is directed

11 This order is an order authorizing such disclosure.

12 5. **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that each ISP will have 30 days from the date of
13 service upon it to serve each of its subscriber(s) whose identity information is sought with a copy
14 of the subpoena and a copy of this order. The ISPs may serve the subscribers using any
15 reasonable means, including written notice sent to the subscriber's last known address, transmitted
16 either by first-class mail or via overnight service.

17 6. **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that each subscriber and each ISP shall have 30
18 days from the date of service upon him, her or it to file any motions in this court contesting the
19 subpoena (including a motion to quash or modify the subpoena). If the 30-day period after service
20 on the subscriber lapses without the subscriber or the ISP contesting the subpoena, the ISP shall
21 have 10 days to produce to Plaintiff the information responsive to the subpoena with respect to
22 that subscriber.

23 7. **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that any ISP that receives a subpoena shall preserve
24 all subpoenaed information pending the ISP's delivering such information to Plaintiff or the final
25 resolution of a timely filed motion to quash the subpoena with respect to such information.

26 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that any information disclosed to Plaintiff in
27 response to a subpoena may be used by Plaintiff solely for the purpose of protecting its rights
28 under the Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. § 101 et seq.

1 9. **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that any name or other personal identifying
2 information of any current or proposed defendant shall be filed UNDER SEAL in all filings and
3 not otherwise disclosed.

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IT IS SO ORDERED.

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Dated: 2/4/2021

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United States District Judge